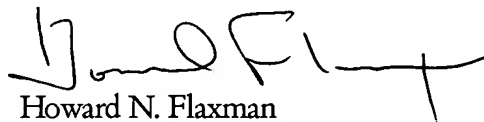


## REMARKS

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.78(a)(5), Applicant has amended the present application to claim priority of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/472,048, filed on May 21, 2003. Applicant respectfully requests that this amendment be entered and considered during the prosecution of the above-referenced application. Applicant also respectfully requests that an amended Filing Receipt be issued confirming the additional claim of priority for the application filed May 21, 2003.

If additional information is required, or if the Office has any questions which might expedite prosecution of this application, please do not hesitate to contact Applicant's representative at the below number. If any fees are required in associate with the claim of priority, the Office is authorized to charge such deficiencies to Deposit Account 01-2221.

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